# MONTANA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

# Section 1115 Basic Medicaid Waiver

# DY11 February 2014 – January 2015 Annual Report



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#### **Executive Summary**

The Basic Medicaid Program has remained a positive source of Medicaid coverage since the program's inception in 1996. The Basic Program is comprised of mandatory Medicaid benefits and a collection of optional services available for emergencies and when necessary, for seeking and maintaining employment. These services are available to able-bodied adults (neither pregnant nor disabled) who are parents and/or caretaker relatives of dependent children. Currently, there are no changes or major issues with the Basic Program.

#### **Basic Medicaid Demonstration Information**

The Montana Medicaid Program is authorized under 53-6-101, Montana Codes Annotated, and Article XII, Section 3 of the Montana Constitution. The Department of Public Health and Human Services (DPHHS) administers the Medicaid Program. The Basic Medicaid Program are the medical services provided for able-bodied adults (neither pregnant nor disabled) and who are parents and/or caretaker relatives of dependent children, eligible for Medicaid under Sections 1925 or 1931 of the Social Security Act. The Basic Program is operated under a Section 1115 waiver, offers all mandatory services and a reduced package of Medicaid optional services through a fee-for-service delivery. Amount, duration, and scope of services, under Section 1902(a)(10)(B) of the Act are waived enabling Montana to carry out the 1115 demonstration.

In February 1996, Montana implemented its state-specific welfare reform program known as Families Achieving Independence in Montana (FAIM). This sweeping change involved the cash assistance, food stamp, and Medicaid programs that were administered on the federal side by several agencies under multiple statutes. As part of welfare reform, Montana obtained a Section 1115 waiver, approved in February 1996. On October 23, 2003, the Department submitted an 1115 waiver application to CMS requesting approval to continue the Basic Medicaid Program. CMS approved the waiver application on January 29, 2004, for a five-year period from February 1, 2004 through January 31, 2009. Terms of the request and the approval were consolidated into an Operational Protocol document as of February 2005. The waiver structure has remained constant throughout the life of the Basic Program. The State must submit a quarterly Basic Medicaid report as one of the Operational Protocol conditions.

A HIFA proposal was submitted on June 27, 2006. 1115 Basic Medicaid Waiver amendments were submitted on March 23, 2007, and January 28, 2008, requesting seven new optional and expansion populations. Tribal Consultation was completed on December 14, 2007. As a result of discussions with CMS, Montana submitted a revised 1115 Basic Medicaid Waiver amendment on June 6, 2008, requesting four new populations. July 30, 2009, and August 6, 2010, submittals requested only one population, MHSP Waiver individuals (individuals with schizophrenia and individuals with bipolar), in addition to Able Bodied Adults. CMS approved the waiver extension and the request to insure the additional population, effective December 1, 2010.

The 1115 Basic Medicaid Waiver renewal was submitted in June, 2013, and approved by CMS effective January 1, 2014. The renewal includes raising the enrollment cap from "up to 800" to "up to 2000"; the primary Severe Disabling Mental Illness (SDMI) clinical diagnosis of major depressive disorder as a covered diagnosis; and home infusion as a covered service.

In June 2014, Montana submitted an amendment to the Section 1115 Basic Medicaid Waiver which was approved by CMS with an August 1, 2014, effective date. This amendment increased the enrollment cap for individuals who qualify for the State only MHSP Program from "up to 2,000" to "up to 6,000". It also updated the eligible diagnosis codes to allow all MHSP Program individuals with SDMI; added a random drawing with the diagnosis code hierarchy selection of

schizophrenia first, bipolar second, major depressive disorder third, and then all remaining diagnosis codes. It also updated the per member per month costs of all waiver populations; updated the amount of money (Maintenance of Effort) the State needed to continue to spend on benefits for the mental health waiver population; updated the budget neutrality; revised the CMS approved evaluation design; updated the Federal Poverty Level from 33% FPL to approximately 47% FPL for Able Bodied Adults; and lastly, updated general waiver language.

## **Department of Public Health and Human Services**

Richard Opper is the Department Director and Mary E. Dalton is the State Medicaid Director. The Montana Medicaid Program consists of the following Divisions: Health Resources Division, Disability Services Division, Addictive and Mental Disorders Division, Child and Family Services Division, Senior and Long Term Care Division, Quality Assurance Division, Human and Community Services Division, and the Public Health and Safety Division. Medicaid eligibility is determined in the Human and Community Services Division.

#### **Medicaid Program Goal**

To assure that medically necessary medical care is available to all eligible Montanans within available funding resources.

#### **Basic Excluded Services**

The Basic package is the Full Medicaid benefit, with the following medical services generally excluded under Basic Medicaid: audiology, dental and denturist, durable medical equipment, eyeglasses, optometry and ophthalmology for routine eye exams, personal care services, and hearing aids. Under the FAIM waiver, these services were excluded to align with the basic medical coverage of a work-related insurance program. That is, an employed individual who is insured under a work-related insurance policy would not have coverage for the list of excluded services.

#### **Basic Medicaid Policies**

All requirements of the Medicaid Program expressed in law not expressly waived or identified as not applicable in the award letter of which the terms and conditions are part, shall apply to Montana's demonstration. Montana Medicaid Program administrative rules, policies, processes, eligibility, cost sharing, and reimbursement apply to individuals on Basic Medicaid unless specified, like the Basic plan of benefits.

## **Emergencies and Essentials for Employment Program**

DPHHS recognizes there may be situations where the excluded services are necessary as in an emergency or when essential for employment. Coverage for the excluded services may be provided at the State's discretion in cases of emergency or when essential to obtain or maintain employment. Examples of emergency circumstances include, but are not limited to, coverage for emergency dental situations, medical conditions of the eye, which include but are not limited to annual dilated eye exams for individuals with diabetes or other medical conditions, and certain medical supplies such as diabetic supplies, prosthetic devices and oxygen. In these situations, the State will provide approval to the provider, and make associated records available upon CMS request. Medicaid manuals contain Basic information and are found on the Department site at <a href="http://medicaidprovider.mt.gov/providertype">http://medicaidprovider.mt.gov/providertype</a>.

The General Information for Providers, Medicaid and Other Medical Assistance Programs, can be found at http://medicaidprovider.mt.gov/.

Medicaid provider training is offered several times a year and Basic Medicaid billing, policies, and procedures are included. Providers, when inquiring about member eligibility, receive eligibility information including whether a member is receiving Full or Basic Medicaid regardless of the various eligibility methods of Faxback, Voice Response, or when contacting the Office of Public Assistance, the Department, or Montana Medicaid's Provider Relations.

Medicaid members are given a copy of the Montana Medicaid Member Guide, found at: <a href="http://dphhs.mt.gov/MontanaHealthcarePrograms/Welcome/MemberServices">http://dphhs.mt.gov/MontanaHealthcarePrograms/Welcome/MemberServices</a>. A chart of Medicaid covered benefits is published with additional service details. Members receive education and information regarding Full and Basic Medicaid services through the Montana Medicaid Hotline. The provider community and members who are affected by the 1115 waiver are accustomed to the provisions of the waiver.

## **Basic Medicaid Population**

Basic Medicaid members include Able Bodied Adults who are not pregnant, not blind, under age 65, and not disabled or receiving SSI. These members are eligible for Basic Medicaid under the designation of Family Medicaid and Transitional Medicaid.

Basic Medicaid Population February 2014 – January 2015 DY11 Average									
	1 <sup>st</sup> Quarter February – April 2014	2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter May – July 2014	3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter August – October 2014	4 <sup>th</sup> Quarter November – December 2014 - January 2015	February 2014  – January 2015  DY11 Average				
Family Medicaid	76%	77%	80%	77%	78%				
Transitional Medicaid	15%	11%	8%	10%	11%				
WMHSP Schizophrenia	4%	3%	3%	3%	3%				
WMHSP Bipolar	5%	5%	5%	5%	5%				
WMHSP Major Depressive Disorder	0%	4%	5%	5%	4%				
*WMHSP Other	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%				

\*Note: CMS notified Montana that the Breast and Cervical populations are not one of the approved populations covered in Section 1925 or Section 1931. Montana took action to correct this oversight and instituted Full Medicaid benefits on 9/1/07, for this population. \*MHSP Waiver populations were effective 12/1/10. The WMHSP Other category covers diagnoses for personality disorders, mood disorders, and other psychotic disorders that do not fit under Schizophrenia spectrum, Bipolar spectrum, major depressive, anxiety disorders, post-traumatic stress disorder, and borderline personality disorder.

# **Basic and Full Medicaid Enrollment DY11 Average**

In DY11 a quarterly average of 13,751 individuals were enrolled in Basic Medicaid compared to the 34,807 Full Medicaid individuals, age 21-64.

Basic and Full Medicaid Enrollment February 2014 – January 2015 DY 11 Average									
	1st Quarter 2nd Quarter 3rd Quarter 4th Quarter February – May – July 2014 August – November – January 2014 December 2014 – DY 11 Av								
Basic Medicaid Enrollment	11,927	13,272	14,148	15,658	13,751				
Full Medicaid Enrollment (Age 21-64)	30,425	35,569	35,970	37,264	34,807				

# Full (Age 21-64) and Basic Medicaid Gender, Ethnic and Race DY11 Average

Basic Medicaid is 68% predominately female as compared to 67% females for all Medicaid in the 21-64 age group. There are 1% more males in Full Medicaid than the Basic population. The American Indian quarterly average for Basic is 24%, which is 7% more than the Full Medicaid average of 17%.

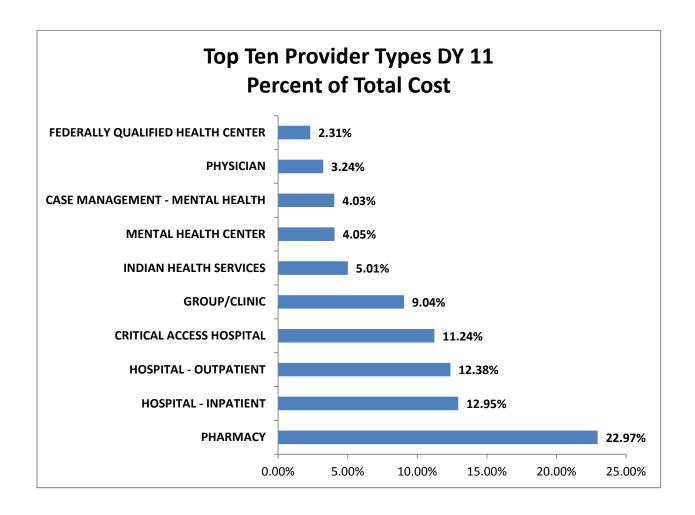
Basic Medicaid Gender, Ethnic and Race										
February 2014 – January 2015 DY11 Average  1 <sup>st</sup> Quarter 2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter 3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter 4 <sup>th</sup> Quarter February 2014										
	1 <sup>st</sup> Quarter	February 2014								
	February –	May – July	August –	November –	- January 2015					
	April 2014	2014	October 2014	December 2014	DY11 Average					
			- January 2015							
Gender										
Female	68%	68%								
Male	32%	32%	32%	32%						
Ethnic and Race (Plus Any Other)										
Hispanic of Any	3%	3%	3%	3%	3%					
Race	570	370	570	370	3%					
White	72%	71%	72%	72%	72%					
American	24%	220/	24%	220/	24%					
Indian/AK	2470	23%	2470	23%	2470					
Other: African										
American,	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%					
Asian, Pacific	170	170	1%	170						
Islander										

Full Medicaid Gender, Ethnic and Race (Age 21-64) February 2014 – January 2015 DY11 Average									
	1 <sup>st</sup> Quarter February – April 2014	2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter May – July 2014	3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter August – October 2014	4 <sup>th</sup> Quarter November – December 2014 - January 2015	February 2014  - January 2015  DY11 Annual				
		Ge	nder						
Female	66%	67%	67%	67%	67%				
Male	34%	33%	33%	33%					
Ethnic and Race (Plus Any Other)									
Hispanic of Any Race	2%	2%	3%	3%	3%				
White	78%	78%	79%	78%	78%				
American Indian/AK	17%	17%	17%	18%	17%				
Other: African American, Asian, Pacific Islander	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%				

<sup>\*</sup>Ethnic and race data are not unique counts. Data is from MMIS as of January 2015.

# DY 11 Expenditures by Provider Type

PROV PAY TO TYPE DESC	2/1/2014 to 4/30/2014		5/1/2014 to 7/31/2014		8/1/2014 to 10/31/2014		11/1/2014 to 1/31/2015		Total		Percent of Total
PHARMACY	\$	3,420,184	\$	3,900,835	\$	4,137,854	\$	4,118,473	\$	15,577,346	22.97%
HOSPITAL - INPATIENT	\$	2,102,155	\$	1,992,009	\$	2,480,016	\$	2,207,028	\$	8,781,209	12.95%
HOSPITAL - OUTPATIENT	\$	1,799,799	\$	2,121,326	\$	2,234,278	\$	2,239,714	\$	8,395,117	12.38%
CRITICAL ACCESS HOSPITAL	\$	1,880,836	\$	1,905,722	\$	1,801,193	\$	2,033,482	\$	7,621,233	11.24%
GROUP/CLINIC	\$	1,401,657	\$	1,505,240	\$	1,621,244	\$	1,605,222	\$	6,133,363	9.04%
INDIAN HEALTH SERVICES	\$	547,857	\$	1,156,225	\$	999,964	\$	692,991	\$	3,397,037	5.01%
MENTAL HEALTH CENTER	\$	649,423	\$	618,793	\$	696,633	\$	784,924	\$	2,749,773	4.05%
CASE MANAGEMENT - MENTAL											
HEALTH	\$	622,506	\$	693,552	\$	688,863	\$	727,628	\$	2,732,549	4.03%
PHYSICIAN	\$	512,853	\$	568,512	\$	571,002	\$	542,226	\$	2,194,593	3.24%
FEDERALLY QUALIFIED HEALTH											
CENTER	\$	391,719	\$	376,995	\$	373,901	\$	425,843	\$	1,568,458	2.31%
Grand Total									\$	67,824,110	



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